Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project

Advisory Group and Interested Parties

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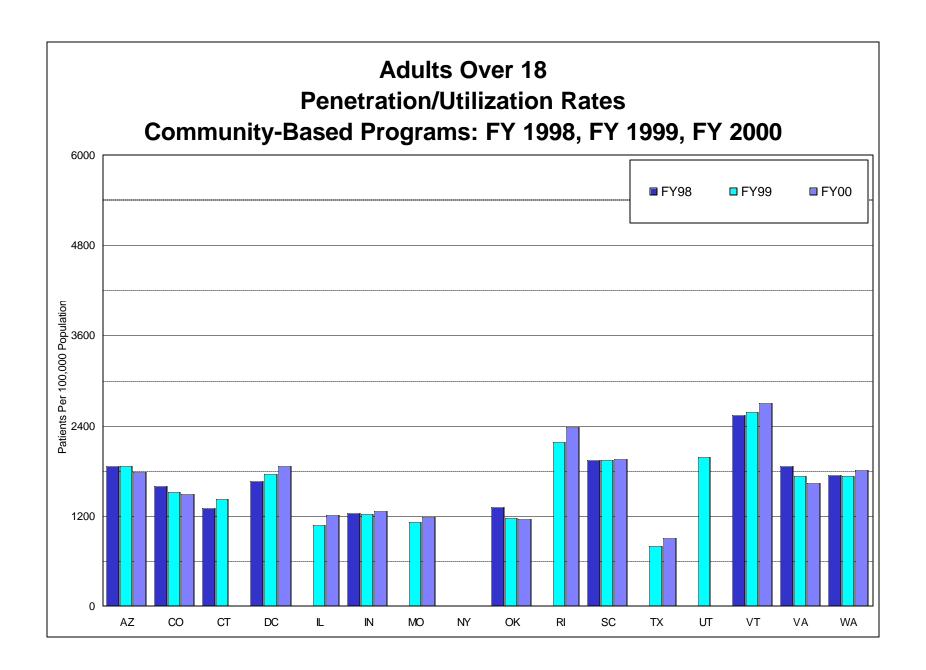
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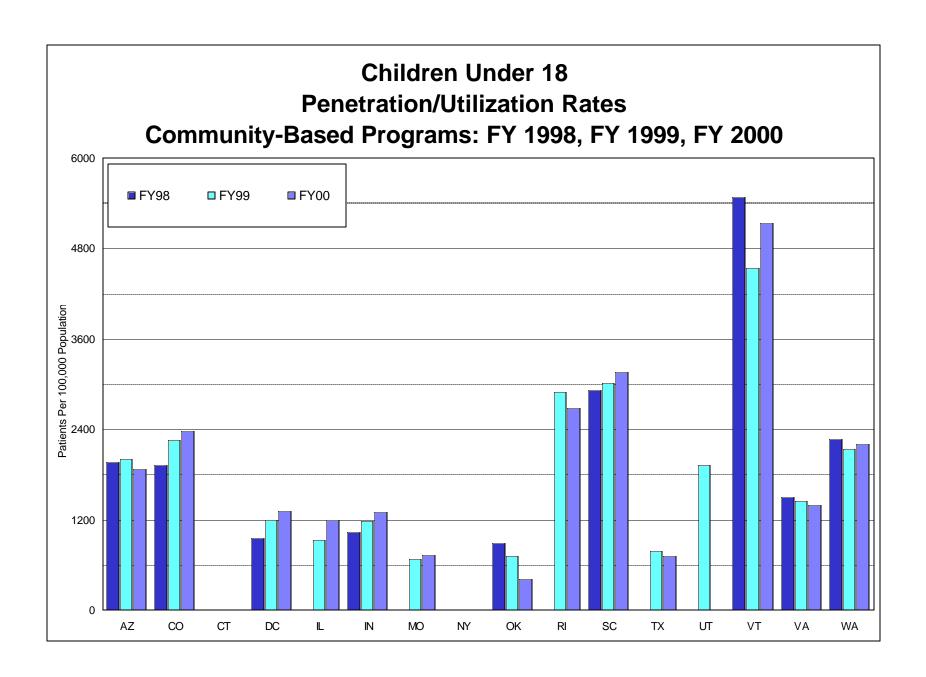
RE: Community Mental Health Penetration/Utilization Rates for Adults and Children

PIP Last week's recently published overall community mental reported penetration/utilization rates. This week's PIP reports similar measures for community-based mental health programs using age specific utilization rates rather than overall rates. Computations are based on state reports of all individuals served by community mental health programs that are operated or funded by the state mental health authority during each year. All individuals served by these programs, regardless of insurance coverage or legal status, are included in these counts. Community-based inpatient mental health programs are excluded from these counts. Computations of penetration/utilization rates for community mental health programs are based on state reports of the number of people served by community programs in each state. All individuals who were served by a community-based mental health program during the year, regardless of legal status or diagnosis, are included. Utilization rates (per 100,000 population) are derived by multiplying by 100,000 and dividing that number by the total number of residents of the state.

Because some state mental health authorities do not have responsibility for children and adolescents with emotional disorders, age specific utilization rates provide a fairer basis for comparison. The first of the attached tables and graphs provide adult utilization rates for community programs for FY1998-2000. As you will see, Vermont's adult utilization rate for community-based programs is somewhat smaller than our utilization rate for children. This indicates higher utilization by children than adults. Vermont's adult utilization rate, like the overall utilization rate, however, is the highest among the reporting states.

We will appreciate your comments on the utilization rates presented here and suggestions about how this information could be made more useful to you. Please feel free to contact us at 802-241-2638 or jpandiani@ddmhs.state.vt.us.





ADULTS OVER 18 PENETRATION/UTILIZATION RATES COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS

Rate Per 100,000 Population: FY1998, FY1999, FY2000

	Total		
	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000
Overall			
Median	1,707	1,622	1,638
Minimum	1,238	795	905
Maximum	2,543	2,583	2,706
State			
Arizona	1,862	1,869	1,787
Colorado	1,599	1,515	1,489
Connecticut	1,300	1,418	-
DC	1,670	1,762	1,858
Illinois	-	1,071	1,208
Indiana	1,238	1,227	1,258
Missouri	-	1,119	1,180
New York	-	-	-
Oklahoma	1,316	1,177	1,155
Rhode Island	-	2,186	2,385
South Carolina	1,947	1,947	1,956
Texas	-	795	905
Utah	-	1,985	-
Vermont	2,543	2,583	2,706
Virginia	1,861	1,729	1,638
Washington	1,745	1,735	1,812

CHILDREN UNDER 18 PENETRATION/UTILIZATION RATES COMMUNITY-BASED PROGRAMS

Rate Per 100,000 Population: FY1998, FY1999, FY2000

		Total		
	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	
Overall				
Median	1,926	1,442	1,387	
Minimum	887	650	408	
Maximum	5,480	4,540	5,135	
	0,400	4,540	0,100	
State				
Arizona	1,961	1,998	1,867	
Colorado	1,926	2,258	2,372	
Connecticut	-	-	-	
DC	956	1,200	1,309	
Illinois	-	928	1,194	
Indiana	1,035	1,182	1,306	
Missouri	-	677	729	
New York	-	-	-	
Oklahoma	887	719	408	
Rhode Island	-	2,900	2,678	
South Carolina	2,915	3,015	3,154	
Texas	-	777	720	
Utah	-	1,925	-	
Vermont	5,480	4,540	5,135	
Virginia	1,498	1,442	1,387	
Washington	2,272	2,134	2,199	